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- ☒ Incorporate by Reference: *The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied herewith, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.*
- ☒ **DIVISIONAL** of prior Patent Application Serial No. 10/036,751 filed December 21, 2001 and titled, "SENSING SCHEME FOR LOW-VOLTAGE FLASH MEMORY," which is incorporated herein by reference, which claims priority to Italian Application No. RM2001A000001 filed January 3, 2001, under 37 CFR 1.53(b) comprising:
- ☒ Specification 31 pgs., including claims numbered 1-24 and a 1 page abstract
- ☒ 6 Sheets of Formal drawings.
- ☒ A copy of the Declaration from prior application (3 pgs.)
- ☒ A copy of Power of Attorney from prior application (1 pg.)
- ☒ Prior application is assigned of record to: Micron Technology, Inc.
- ☒ A Communication Regarding Divisional Application (1 pg.)
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (1 pg.) and Form 1449 (1 pg.) -- References not enclosed, cited in prior application
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1,186.00 to cover the filing fee, which is calculated below:

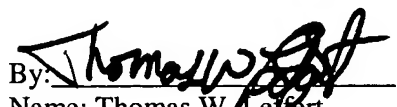
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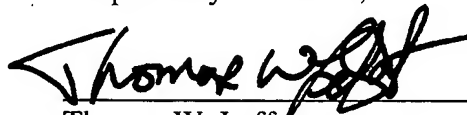
COMMENTS

This is a divisional application of application Serial No. 10/036,751 (the '751 application), titled "SENSING SCHEME FOR LOW-VOLTAGE FLASH MEMORY" and filed December 21, 2001 (allowed). The '751 application was subjected to a Restriction Requirement by Examiner Tuan T. Nguyen in the Notice of Allowance mailed September 23, 2003. Claims 1-17 of the present divisional application correspond to non-elected claims 33-49 of the '751 application. Applicant contends that the remaining claims of the present divisional application comport with the definition of the non-elected claims of the '751 application and are thus properly presented for examination. Applicant further contends that all claims find support in the original priority document as filed and thus do not constitute new matter.

If the Examiner has any questions or concerns regarding this application, please contact the undersigned at 612 312 2204.

Respectfully submitted,

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